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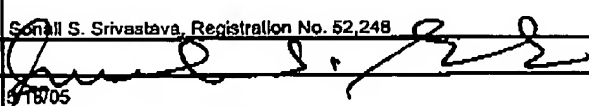
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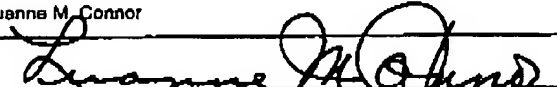
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By: Name: Luanne M. Connor**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

In response to the Office Action dated March 25, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 7 of the paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.